

Alexandria Gazette

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 21.

LOCAL NEWS.

For this section westerly shifting; to southerly winds, fair weather and slightly colder.

THE PROPOSED ICE BOAT.—It is said in Washington that the District Commissioners while moving for an ice boat to keep open the river route to Washington harbor during the winter, have the support of the most thoughtful and far-seeing portion of the community in seeking to unite all the special needs of the District on the river in one plan. The application for an ice boat has not heretofore gotten into Congress before all immediate need for it had passed away with the passing of the ice. The suggestion with the same steamer may be used as an ice breaker, as a harbor patrol and a police boat, and also as a floating fire engine for fires on the river front and on vessels, shows that a combination may be made that will fill several pressing needs in summer as well as in winter, and will thus serve to give a reason for pressing the matter constantly upon the attention of Congress. The expense also of the maintenance of the boat will thus be apportioned among several departments of municipal service, and will not require an unusually large appropriation for any one of them. A paper is being circulated here and there, and signed by merchants petitioning Congress to purchase an ice boat to keep navigation of the Potomac open. The merchants generally favor the plan for an ice boat and want immediate relief, and say it is not given the city is liable to have as serious a flood as that of 1881.

PERSONALS.—Mr. James L. Adams has sufficiently recovered from his long illness to be able to resume his duties as Mayor of Alexandria.

Mr. S. G. Brent yesterday evening was attacked with vertigo in the yard attached to his office on King street, and falling on his face was considerably bruised.

Miss Hattie Williams, of Richmond, is visiting Mrs. E. E. Eldridge, on Washington street.

Miss Kate Wolford, at her home, the residence of Mayor Smoot, last night gave a pleasant progressive euchre party to a number of friends in this city.

Among the guests at the German given by Commodore McCormick at the Navy Yard, on Wednesday night, were Messrs. Leonard Marbury and Dr. Thos. Norton, of this city.

Treasurer Harlow is again confined to his home by a severe cold.

Rev. Geo. M. Funsten, now of Henry county, has been elected assistant to the Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, of St. Paul's church, Richmond.

Capt. R. C. Lee was one of the floor managers of the hop given at the St. James Hotel, in Richmond, last night.

Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee passed through this city to-day on her way from Washington to Richmond. Gov. Lee is still in Washington.

Mr. Geo. Uhler yesterday accidentally stuck a nail in his hand causing a painful wound.

POLICE REPORT.—Last night was cloudy and mild, with rain about 1 o'clock. There were three prisoners and two lodgers at the station house.

The Mayor this morning disposed of the following cases:

John Dolan, colored, arrested by Officer Simpson, for being drunk on the streets, was fined \$1.

Hester Mink, arrested by Officers Grady and Hayes, for being drunk and disorderly, was fined \$3, and Bert Mankin, arrested on the same charge, was dismissed.

Will Conway, colored, arrested by Officers Grady and Hayes, charged with an assault on a white boy named Thomas Nugent, was fined \$3.

A white boy, charged with an assault on a colored boy, was dismissed on account of the failure of the complainant to appear.

THE PROPOSED PARADE.—The committee appointed by the Alexandria Light Infantry yesterday evening waited on the officers of the different fire companies in reference to having a military and firemen's parade in this city on the 22d of February. The committee stated that their company was willing to parade, hire a band and pay their pro rata share of the expenses. The officers of the fire companies thought that each company should have a band and that the citizens who were most interested should subscribe the requisite amount of money to defray the expenses of the proposed parade. They stated, however, that they would lay the matter before their respective companies at the next meeting.

RIVER ITEMS.—The prevailing mist, mild weather, has again softened the ice on the river, and should it continue a few days longer it is thought that navigation will soon be reopened. It is learned that the river is clear of ice below Quantico, and it is thought that the New York steamer Gibson, which is now there, will soon make an effort to reach this city. Fishermen left here this morning for Deep Hole landing, to make arrangements for the coming spring fishing. The tug Templar will have her ice plow fitted on by to-morrow, when she will probably start down the river for a tow.

THE OPERA HOUSE.—The Agnes Wallace Villa dramatic company will give a presentation of the interesting comedy drama "M'Chette" in this city next Monday night. The Springfield Republican says: "Agnes Wallace Villa and Miss Lucie Villa are very powerful in the parts they take—powerful because most natural, and it is really a treat not often experienced to see the young lady in so emotional a fashion work up the business of a most trying situation as she did in her part. Every one of the company performed admirably—the support given the leading actors being all that could be desired."

A NEW BRIDGE.—A bridge is now being constructed at the ford of Holmes' Run on Little River pike, about four miles west of this city, which will be a great convenience to those who frequently travel over this road. This stream was past fording by teams sixteen days during last year, and many were obliged to wait hours or the greater portion of a day for the waters to subside, and in winter it is so obstructed by ice that it is difficult to drive across. The turnpike company having no funds available, the people have taken the bridge in hand and are now constructing it.

REPORTED CUTTING.—A report reached this city to-day that during a difficulty on Wednesday between the conductor and engineer of a train on the Franklin division of the V. M. road, the latter was cut by the former and had his nose almost severed from his face.

WRIT OF ERROR.—In the case of the Commonwealth vs. Abe Ward, charged with house breaking in the county, Judge Keith yesterday granted a writ of error to the judgment of the county court. The case will be argued on Monday. The point involved is that four terms of the county court elapsed after Ward was indicted before he was tried.

MEXICAN VETERANS.—About a dozen residents of Alexandria and vicinity will be benefited by the passage of the bill giving pensions to the Mexican war veterans. The monthly allowance is to be \$8, provided the bill becomes a law by the signature of the President, of which, however, there is little doubt. Among those who took part in the war and still survive are Gen. M. D. Corse, Col. T. W. Ashby and Capt. J. S. Douglas, who were captain and lieutenants respectively of Company B, 21 Virginia regiment, and Messrs. A. T. Fisher, and Isaiah Fisher, of this city, and Presley Bingham, Geo. Tridell and A. G. Minor, of Fairfax, private in the same company. Messrs. Robert H. Mead and Thos. Cross, of this city, were also in the war but belonged to a Washington company.

DEATH OF MR. JOSEPH HIGGINS.—Mr. Joseph Higgins, a well-known citizen, died at 430 this morning, after a long illness of inflammatory rheumatism, complicated with other diseases. The deceased was engaged in the plumbing business, and was a master of his trade. His funeral will take place on Sunday, at 3 o'clock, from his late residence on Union street, between Duke and Wolfe.

LAND SALES.—The farm at Chantilly belonging to Judge R. H. Cocke, containing 265 acres, was sold last Monday to Mr. O. W. Hunt for \$13 per acre.

The James Nelson farm, situated in Providence district, Fairfax county, containing about 100 acres, was sold on the same day to Albert Magarity for \$5 per acre.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A democratic primary election will be held in Fairfax county on Wednesday, March 23d, to nominate county officers.

Major E. H. Janney, at his farm near this city, has a hog which now weighs 900 pounds, but which has not yet attained its full growth.

The schooner May Brown, of this port, which the ice carried on Blackstone's Island has been gotten off and towed to Baltimore.

Warrington Gillingham, of Accotink, Fairfax county, has been appointed superintendent of Garrett Park, on the Metropolitan Branch of the B. & O. Railroad.

Harry Mills, of Brandy Station, an employee of the V. M. Railroad, broke a small bone in his foot Wednesday by letting a steel rail which he was helping to put on a car, fall on his foot.

A fine granite quarry has been found upon the farm of Mr. W. H. Harman, a few miles from Orange C. H. It is said that a sample taken to Washington for examination was pronounced of a superior quality to the best Richmond granite.

Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to William H. Blangenbaker and Savannah Close, both of Madison county; Charles A. Monroe and Annie H. Benton, both of Loudoun county; James Williams and Julia Baynes, both of Wytheville.

The horse attached to the wagon of Mr. J. B. Watkins ran away in the lower part of the city, yesterday evening, and was not stopped till he reached King street. The same horse ran away this evening on Union street, collided with a lamp post and with another team, and created considerable confusion.

Quite a surprise was tendered Mr. and Mrs. William Greenwell at their residence, on South Washington street, last evening, by a gathering of the friends of that gentleman and lady from Washington. Dancing was kept up until a late hour, and they all left for their homes feeling pleased with the evening's festivities.

Mr. O. F. Baggett will have a full supply of fresh meats for sale at his stall in the market to-morrow, including some nice veal and pork.

Failure.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—John Patton, jr., & Co., managers of the Monarch Line, ship owners, ship and insurance brokers, &c., have failed. Their liabilities and assets are both large.

Examination of Cadets.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Jan. 21.—The annual examination at West Point has just been completed. Thirty-nine cadets were found deficient and have been dismissed.

How to Save Money.

and we might also say—time and pain as well, in our advice to good housekeepers and ladies generally. The great necessity existing always to have a perfectly safe remedy convenience for the relief and prompt cure of the ailments peculiar to woman—functional irregularity, constant pains, and all the symptoms attendant upon uterine disorders—induces us to recommend strongly and unqualifiedly Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription"—woman's best friend. It will save money.

Foreign Contributions to the Alexandria Light Infantry Fair.

The following goods and money have been reported and received to-day:

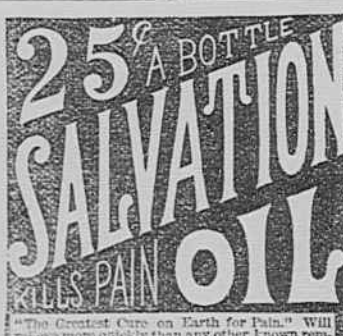
Through R. W. Avery, esq.—From Messrs. Grim & Conway, Philadelphia, one caddy of tea worth \$12 to \$15.

Through Messrs. Henry L. Simpson's Sons—From Messrs. Wallace & Elliot, New York city, \$10, and from Messrs. Shattuck & Binger, New York city, \$10.

Through Charles S. Taylor, esq.—From Baltimore Pearl Herring Co., one case of pearl herring.

FOR A PRESENT.—Madam Mitchell was on yesterday made the recipient of a valuable present for effecting a reconciliation between a well-known lady and gentleman of this city. During her stay in your State she can be found at 32 south Royal street, between King and Prince streets. jan20 2t

MEDICINAL.



Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure your Cough at once. Price only 25 Cts. a bottle.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—On Monday last, on either Cameron or North Washington street, it is supposed, an EMBOSSED LEATHER PURSE containing a dollar bill and about three dollars in silver money. The finder will be liberally rewarded on leaving it at the residence or office of

GEO. A. MUSHEACH.

CHLORITE, an elegant preparation for chapped hands and lips, for sale by J. D. H. LUNT.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Business is very quiet, the continued closing of navigation and the inclement weather obstructing transportation and greatly impeding the movement of produce. Retail trade is also quiet. Money matters are without change, the supply being ample to meet all demands. U. S. bonds are quiet but steady. State securities are neglected and quotations nominal. Railroad bonds and stocks are quiet. Virginia Midland 2ds are quoted at 117, and 5ths at 106 1/2.

New York, Jan. 21.—11 a. m.—The opening of the stock market was weak, the entire list being down from 1/8 to 1/2 per cent. There was a moderately active business, and the market was strong in the early dealings, and the bulk of the list rose from 1/8 to 1/2 per cent. The market then yielded slightly, but again advanced later, and at 11 o'clock was active and rather heavy. Money easy at 4 1/2.

WHOLESALE PRICES OF PRODUCE JAN. 21

Flour, fine.....	\$3.00	@	3.25
Superfine.....	3.25	@	3.75
Extra.....	4.50	@	5.00
Fancy brands.....	5.25	@	5.75
Wheat, Longberry.....	0.86	@	0.95
Fultz.....	0.84	@	0.90
Mixed.....	0.84	@	0.92
Fair Wheat.....	0.80	@	0.84
Damp and tough.....	0.70	@	0.80
Corn, white.....	0.47	@	0.48
Yellow.....	0.47	@	0.48
Corn Meal.....	0.47	@	0.50
Hominy, per barrel.....	3.25	@	0.00
Rye.....	0.55	@	0.59
Oats.....	0.35	@	0.38
Butter, Virginia.....	0.23	@	0.25
Common to middling.....	0.15	@	0.16
Eggs.....	0.27	@	0.29
Turkeys, live.....	0.8	@	0.9
" dressed, drawn.....	0.9	@	0.11
Dressed Chickens.....	0.8	@	0.9
Veal Calves.....	0.5	@	0.6
Dressed Pork.....	0.6	@	0.7
Irish Potatoes per bushel.....	0.75	@	0.85
Sweet Potatoes per barrel.....	2.25	@	2.50
Apples per barrel.....	2.00	@	3.50
Onions per bushel.....	1.00	@	1.25
" Peaches, peeled.....	0.7	@	0.8
" unpeeled.....	0.6	@	0.7
" Cherries.....	0.6	@	0.7
Dried Apples.....	0.2	@	0.3 1/2
Jacon—Hams, country.....	0.11 1/2	@	0.11 1/2
Best sugar cured Hams.....	0.11 1/2	@	0.11 1/2
Butchers' Hams.....	0.11 1/2	@	0.11 1/2
Breakfast Bacon.....	0.84	@	0.84
Sugar cured Shoulders.....	0.74	@	0.74
Bulk shoulders.....	0.64	@	0.64
" lg. cl. sides.....	0.7	@	0.74
" fat backs.....	0.7	@	0.74
" bellies.....	0.7	@	0.74
Bacon Shoulders.....	0.74	@	0.74
Sides.....	0.74	@	0.74
Lard.....	0.64	@	0.74
Smoked Beef.....	0.14	@	0.14 1/2
Supra—Brown.....	0.4 1/2	@	0.5
Off A.....	0.5 1/2	@	0.5 1/2
Conf. Standard A.....	0.64	@	0.64
Granulated.....	0.64	@	0.64
Coffees—Rio.....	0.14	@	0.16
Java.....	0.17	@	0.22
Molasses B. S.....	0.15	@	0.16
" C. B.....	0.17	@	0.18
Sugar Syrup.....	0.18	@	0.30
Herring, Eastern, per bbl.....	3.50	@	4.50
Potatoes No. 1.....	4.50	@	5.00
Mackerel, small, per bbl.....	0.00	@	0.00
" No. 3, medium.....	10.00	@	10.50
" No. 3, large fat.....	12.00	@	14.00
" No. 2.....	15.00	@	18.00
Clover Seed.....	4.25	@	5.25
Timothy.....	2.15	@	2.25
Plaster, ground, per ton.....	4.75	@	5.00
Ground in bags.....	5.75	@	6.00
Lump.....	3.50	@	3.75
Salt—G. A. (Liverpool).....	0.75	@	0.80
Fine.....	1.20	@	1.30
Turkey's Island.....	1.15	@	1.20
Wash—Long unwashed.....	0.22	@	0.30
Washed.....	0.30	@	0.32
Merino, unwashed.....	0.20	@	0.21
Do. Washed.....	0.30	@	0.32
Shaw.....	0.70	@	0.75
Hay.....	11.00	@	13.00
Cut do.....	18.00	@	18.00
Wheat Bran 3/4 ton " car.....	18.00	@	18.50
Brown Middlings.....	18.75	@	19.25
White Middlings.....	19.50	@	20.25
Hominy Chop.....	19.00	@	20.00
Cotton Seed Meal.....	22.50	@	23.50

There are no features of interest to report in the Flour markets; transactions are small and stocks in first hands are full and well assorted. Wheat is tame and spiritless; futures are a fraction of a cent lower, and buyers seemingly careless, waiting for something to turn, nothing being reported to encourage a moving up or down, while futures, common and medium grades are lower; prime milling lots for near delivery do not fully partake of the decline. Corn is quiet but steady. Rye and Oats are firm. Produce is easy and in better receipt.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 21.—Virginia Gs consolidated 53 1/2; put-due coupons 64 1/2; do 10-40s 42 1/2; do new 3s 65 1/2 bid to-day.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 21.—Cotton dull; middling 9 3/4. Flour dull and easy; Howard street and Western super \$2.50 3/4; do extra \$3.15 3/4; do family \$4.15 3/4; City Mills super \$2.50 3/4; do extra \$3.15 3/4; do Rio brands \$4.75 3/4; do Patuxent family \$5.30; do super native patent \$5.90. Wheat—Southern nominally steady; Western about steady and dull; Southern red 94 1/2; do amber 95 1/2; No 1 Maryland 94 1/2; No 2 Western winter red spot 92 1/2; Jan 92 1/2; bid; Feb 91 1/2; bid; March 92 1/2; May 94 1/2. Corn—Southern nominal; Western steady and dull; Southern white 47 1/2; do yellow 47 1/2; Western mixed spot 47 1/2; Jan 47 1/2; asked; Feb 46 1/2; Mar 46 1/2; steam 46 1/2; bid. Oats easy and quiet; Southern 34 3/8; Western white 37 3/8; mixed 34 3/8; Penna 34 3/8. Rye quiet at 54 1/2. Hay steady; prime to choice Western \$14.15. Provisions dull. Mess Pork 81 1/2. Bulk meats—shoulders and clear rib sides packed 61 1/2; Bacon—shoulders 74 1/2; clear rib sides 7 1/2; hams 12 1/2. Lard—refined 7 1/2. Butter firm; Western packed 18 1/2; creamery 25 3/8. Eggs steady at 27 1/2. Coffee easier; Rio cargoes ordinary to fair 14 1/2. Sugar firm; A soft 5 13-16. Whiskey firm at \$1.23 1/4.

New York, Jan. 21.—Cotton easy; uplands 9 1/2; Orleans 9 11-16; futures steady. Flour dull and heavy. Wheat lower. Corn lower. Pork firm at \$12.75. Lard steady at \$6.80.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—11 a. m.—Wheat opened weak again at 84 for May delivery, broke off to 83 1/2, rallied to 84 1/2, but is off again to 84. May Corn 40 1/2. May Oats 30 1/4. May Pork 12 32 1/2. May Lard 86 67 1/2 3/4 70.

There has been very little, if any, change in the markets of Lynchburg and Fredericksburg and quotations are reported unchanged. The receipts of Tobacco at Lynchburg are light, consisting principally of brights, which sell at satisfactory prices.

RICHMOND MARKET, Jan. 20.—Market quiet. Flour unchanged. Sales of Wheat at \$2 for mixed, and \$0.87 for shortberry. No sales of Corn or Oats reported.

BALTIMORE SUGAR AND COFFEE MARKET, Jan. 20.—Sugar—The demand for raw Sugars is light, owing to the uncertainty of the coal supply on the part of refiners. Quotations are 4 1/2-6 1/4; for 89 test Muscovado, and 5 1/2-6 1/2 for 96 test centrifugal. For refined Sugars the market is quiet and firm, with the supply less liberal and the demand very regular. We quote hays at 67 1/2 for cut loaf, 6 1/2 for cubes, 6 1/2 for powdered, 6 1/2 for granulated. Softs—6 1/2 for coffee, 5 1/2-6 1/2 for standard A. Coffee—The movement in invoices is very moderate, and the market has been unsettled by the fluctuations in futures. The result is a decline of 1/2 from the highest point, closing slightly above the lowest. The sales were 2000 to 3000 bags at 14 1/2-14 3/4 mostly. The bidding trade is quiet. We quote Rio cargoes as follows: Ordinary at 14 1/2, fair at 15; good at 15 1/2, and prime at 15 3/4 per lb, 90 days.

Cattle Markets.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET, Jan. 20.—Beef Cattle.—Prices of Beef Cattle ranged as follows: Bes..... \$4.75 1/2 a 5.00. Generable rated first quality..... 4.00 a 4.25. Medium or good fat quality..... 3.00 a 3.75. Ordinary thin Steers, Oxen and

Cows..... 2.00 a 2.75. Extreme range of prices..... 2.00 a 5.00. Most of the sales were from..... 3.00 a 4.50. Total receipts for the week 1154 head. Total sales for the week 996 head.

Trade was not active, and prices were generally 1/4-1/2c lower than last Thursday. The offerings were of not as good a general average as last week, for though there were some as good tops the number was less, with a much longer line of common Cattle and a smaller number of the medium grades.

Sheep and Lambs—There is a light supply of Sheep on the market with few good ones among them. For these there was a fairly good demand, others being slow of sale. The bulk of the offerings were of a common order, the whole supply being some 1500 less than last week. We quote butchers' Sheep at 3 1/2-3 3/4 per lb gross, few selling at either extreme, and Lambs sold at 3 1/2-3 3/4 per lb gross. Arrivals this week 2273.

CHICAGO CATTLE MARKET, Jan. 20.—Cattle—market 10 1/2c lower and fairly active; shipping steers \$3.10 1/4 40. stockers and feeders \$2.50 3/4 350; mixed \$1.75 1/4. Hogs—market active and 5c higher for light; rough and mixed \$4.50 1/4 95; packing and shipping \$4.70 1/4 95; light weights \$4.20 1/4 75. Sheep—market active and 10c higher; natives \$2.30 1/2; Western \$2.50 1/4 30.

NEW YORK CATTLE MARKET, January 20.—Beef—no trading in Beef Cattle; dressed Beef dull at 7 1/2c per lb for native sides. Sheep and Lambs opened with a fair demand, but closed weak and 10 1/2c per 100 lbs lower. Sheep sold at \$7.75 1/2 40 per 100 lbs, and Lambs at \$4.60 1/2 6 75 per 100 lbs. Hogs in fair demand and steady for live ones at \$5 1/2 25 per 100 lbs.

QUEENSTOWN CATTLE MARKET, Jan. 20.—At Queenstown this week there were some 240 head of Cattle offered, with sales at prices ranging from 2 1/2 to 5c per lb. Some 507 Sheep and Lambs were offered and sold; Sheep brought 2 1/2-5 1/2, and Lambs 5 1/2-6c per lb. Some 20 Cows and Calves were sold at \$25 1/4 40 per head. Market for all kinds of stock slow.

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Jan 21 1t

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Jan 21 1w J. RONBURY, Supt. Gas.

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